

REMARKS

During the interview on December 5, 2003, it was agreed that Chan does not suggest separate servers (i.e., computers) linked by a network. Accordingly, the amendments to claim 1 defining separate computers connected by a network are believed to place it in condition for allowance. Also discussed in the interview was the patentability of claim 13. It appears that claim 13 is allowable in its current form since it already describes the separate computer feature set forth in claim 1.

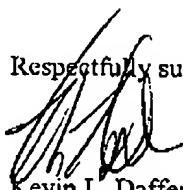
In light of the interview discussion and amendments contained herein, the currently pending § 102(c) rejection is now believed to be obviated in its entirety. Accordingly, Applicant asserts that pending claims 1-19 are in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

This response constitutes a complete response to all issues raised in the final Office Action mailed October 7, 2003. In light of the interview and amendments herein, Applicant asserts that pending claims 1-19 are in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any questions, comments or suggestions, the undersigned attorney earnestly requests a telephone conference.

No fees are required for filing this amendment; however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Conley Rose, P.C. Deposit Account No. 03-2769/5468-05800.

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